

**Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company
Docket No. D.T.E. 02-24/25
Responses to the Attorney General's Fifth Set of Information Requests**

Request No. AG-5-48 (Gas)

Referring to Schedule MHC-6, please reconcile the Gas Division FICA amount shown there with the amount shown on page 49 of the Company's 2001 Annual Report to the Department.

Response:

The total Gas Division FICA expense of \$156,381 as shown on Schedule MHC-6 (Gas) is the pre-capitalization FICA taxes. The \$63,034 difference between the filing and the \$93,347 as shown on the Company's 2001 Annual Report to the Department is the total amount that was capitalized on FG&E's books in 2001.

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